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Application of: Zhigang Fan et al.

Title: METHOD OF EMBEDDING COLOR INFORMATION IN PRINTED DOCUMENTS
USING WATERMARKING

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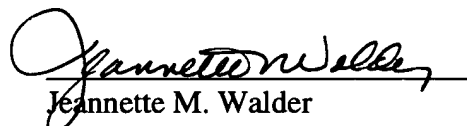
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The references are discussed in the Background of the Invention.

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